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Applicant:

KENJI YAMAMURA ET AL.

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

the a	bove-id	entified	applic	eation.			
1.	Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114						
	a.		Previously submitted				
		i.		Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on			
		ii.		Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on			
		iii.		Other			
	b.	\boxtimes	Enclo	osed RECEIVE.			
		i.	\boxtimes	Amendment/Reply Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)			
		ii.		Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) TC 1700			
		iii.		Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)			
		iv.		Other			
2.	Miscellaneous						
	a.		Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _ months (not to exceed three months). The required fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) is				
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	b.		Other		
3.	Fees				
	a.	\boxtimes	The fo	ollowing fees are included in the payment indicated below:	
		i.	\boxtimes	RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)	
		ii.	\boxtimes	Extension of time fee required under 37 CFR 1.136 &	
				1.17 (attached to Amendment).	
		iii.		Other	
	b.	\boxtimes	Payment:		
		i.	\boxtimes	A check in the amount of \$740.00 is enclosed	
		ii.		The Director is hereby authorized to charge the fees	
				listed above in Section 3 a i-iii to the Deposit Account of	
				Crowell & Moring, L.L.P., Account No. 05-1323 (Docket	
				No. ===)	
		iii.	\boxtimes	If a check should become detached or if there is any	
				deficiency in fees, any necessary fees should be charged,	
				or any overpayment in fees should be credited, to the	
				Deposit Account of Crowell & Moring, L.L.P., Account No	
				05-1323 (Docket #313MC/48531).	

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Respectfully submitted

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

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The following remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated February 20, 2002.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows (a marked-up version of the specification as amended is attached hereto):

On Page 5, please amend the paragraph between/16 and 22 as follows:

C is an element for rendering the starting blank into martensite by hardening/tempering treatment to provide the steel with hardness. If the C content is less than 0.80% by weight, the surface hardness HRC of 62 or more can not sometimes be obtained. If the C content exceeds 1.20% by weight, not only the effect of C for improving the hardness is saturated but also residual austenite tends to be formed.